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*Winner of the 2002
National Gold Medal Award*



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NAME OF PROGRAM: **Randal Romie Receives National ASLA Community Service Award**

Greensboro, NC – Randal Scott Romie, ASLA, has been awarded the Community Service Award by the American Society of Landscape Architects for his sustained, *pro bono* service to the City demonstrating sound principles and values of landscape architecture. During his more than 15 years of community service in Greensboro, North Carolina, Romie has devoted nearly 2,000 volunteer hours—a full work year—to Greensboro Beautiful, a non-profit volunteer organization that works in partnership with the City and citizens to conserve and enhance the beauty and ecology of the community. Among dozens of projects, he has provided pro bono services for planning and developing landscape installations on public property throughout Greensboro for:

- ♦ Highway beautification sites at I-85 and Elm-Eugene and Randleman Road; and Bryan Boulevard at Benjamin Parkway;
- ♦ Bicentennial Garden renovations including a new stone bridge, stone steps, and Old Mill site;
- ♦ Enhancement projects at the Greensboro Arboretum including design & site planning for a new Wedding Gazebo;
- ♦ Conceptual Master Planning for a new botanical garden in southeast Greensboro;
- ♦ Planting Plans and coordination of the highly successful Caldwell Park Reforestation (2001) and New Garden Road Community Planting Day (2003) to name just a few

Romie's horticultural and landscape design expertise has been invaluable as the City developed and adopted a new Tree Preservation Ordinance; and he has served as Vice-Chair of the City's Advisory Commission on Trees (ACT) since its inception in 2000. Romie has served as a member of Guilford County's Advisory Board on Environmental Quality; and he has been a member of the Downtown Center City Park Steering Committee. He was the recipient of the 2001 Merit Award from the North Carolina Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects for his design work on a 12-step Meditation Trail at Fellowship Hall.

Romie served as vice-chair, chair, and past chair of Greensboro Beautiful from 1997 to present. He has also received Greensboro Beautiful's Volunteer Service Award, a certificate of appreciation from Governor James Hunt, and the Robert S. Garrard Award of Distinction for enhancing Greensboro's appearance and quality of life.